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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT of ENERGY
Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management
Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office
Post Office Box 30307
North Las Vegas, NV 89036-0307

Re: Response to Yucca Mountain

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am going to make reference to the letter I received, dated August 28, 2001, where comments were encouraged to Yucca Mountain as a repository.

I oppose Yucca Mountain as a site as a repository for nuclear waste. I am attaching a copy of a photo which, appeared on Friday, August 31, 2001, which appeared in our local paper, Las Vegas Review Journal. This photo shows rail cars mangled near Wichita, Kan. They had to evacuate 120 people. What if this had been carrying nuclear waste to Yucca Mountain. The outcome would have been a nightmare and there would have been more than 120 people involved. There have been trucks traveling on the highways with hazardous waste that have had accidents, spilling the contents. I cite this as a mere example of what could occur trying to get the contaminated material to Yucca Mountain.

I don't believe the residents of nearby, Las Vegas, should be endangered for all the waste in the United States. I believe that every state which homes the nuclear waste should be responsible for its own storage.

Sincerely,



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